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Company: Johnson Utilities L.L.C. dba Johnson Utilities

Division: Water*

Company

Nature Of Opinion

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Utility law defines the powers, rights, and responsibilities of the participants: utilities, competitors (if there are any), landowners, customers, legislatures, and most importantly, in this case, regulators. As customers, we look to those regulators to protect the people within a utility's CC&N as well as to assure service is being performed under the purview of that CC&N. In making the power, rights, and responsibilities clear, our state statutes are setup to protect ultimately the rights of the public. As a Public Service Provider, Johnson Utilities (JU) has failed to recognize they have a legal obligation to the public the regulators in our state have given them. Exclusivity (monopoly) is familiar but it is not universal. And exclusivity in fact is not exclusivity in law. The Arizona Supreme Court has long determined that "a public service corporation is under legal obligation to render adequate service impartially and without discrimination to ALL members of the general public to whom its scope of operation extends." Veach v City of Phoenix, 102 Ariz. 195, 427 P.2d 335 (1967) citing Wickenberg v. Town of Sabin, 68 Ariz. 75, 200 P.2d 342 (1948). The failure to provide adequate service to the rural community where Mr. Myer's resides and owns property constitutes a clear violation of this legal requirement.

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